

## Lab Experiment – 3

## Pre-Lab 3:

The exec family (**execl**, **execv**, **execlp**, **execvp**) of library functions replace the calling process's code, data, and stack from the executable whose pathname is stored in path

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1. Exec System call:

The exec system call replaces the current running process image with new one. That is, it replaces the current address space (the text, data & stack) with that of the new process image.

Since no new process is created the PID does not change across an exec.

Normally each exec is followed by one or more letters

e → An array of pointers to environment variables is explicitly passed to new process image.

l → Command line arguments are passed individually to the function (as a list).

p → uses the path environment variable to find the file named in the file argument to be executed.

v → Command line arguments are passed to the function as an array (vector) of pointers.

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These are exec Family system calls

execl    execv    execlp    execvp

Syntax

```
int execl (const char *path, const char *arg, ... /*(char*)NULL*/);
int execv (const char *path, char *const argv[]);
int execlp (const char *file, const char *arg, ... /*(char*)NULL*/);
int execvp (const char *file, char *const argv[]);
```

## In-Lab 3:

- `execl` and `execv`, Gathering the exit Status using `wait` with standard input and output redirection.

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execl:-  
The `execl` function requires each component of the command line of the new program to be specified as individual arguments

Syntax

```
int execl (const char *path, const char *argv[], ... /*(char*)NULL*/);
```

- `execl` doesn't use the path.
- The first argument (path) signifies the absolute or relative pathname of the program.
- The other arguments represent each word of the command line beginning with the name of the command
- The ellipsis representation in the syntax (`.../*`) points to varying no. of arguments



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Example program on execl()

- consider we have EXEC.c and execDemo.c
- Now, we will Replace the execDemo.c with EXEC.c by calling execl() function in execDemo.c
- EXEC.c code:-

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>
int main()
{
    int i;
    printf("I am EXEC.c called by execl()");
    printf("\n");
    return 0;
}
```

Now create an executable file of EXEC.c  
using command gcc EXEC.c -o EXEC

execDemo.cexecDemo.c code

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
int main()
{
    char *args = ".|EXEC";
```

```

    execl ( args , args , NULL )
    printf ( "ending..." );
    return 0;
}

```

→ create an executable file of execDemo.c  
using command gcc execDemo -o execDemo

### Final output

Now execute code by typing

./execDemo

output: I am EXEC.c called by execl()

### execv

#### Syntax :-

```
int execv (const char *path, char *const argv[]);
```

Here path should point to the path of file being executed and argv[] is a null terminated array of character pointers

### Example program on execv();

Consider we have EXEC2.c, execDemo2.c  
we will replace execDemo2.c <sup>with EXEC2.c</sup> by calling  
execv() in execDemo2.c



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EXEC2.c code

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>

int main()
{
    printf("I am in EXEC2.c called by execv");
    printf("\n");
    return 0;
}
```

Create an executable file of EXEC2.c using  
Command gcc EXEC2.c -o EXEC2

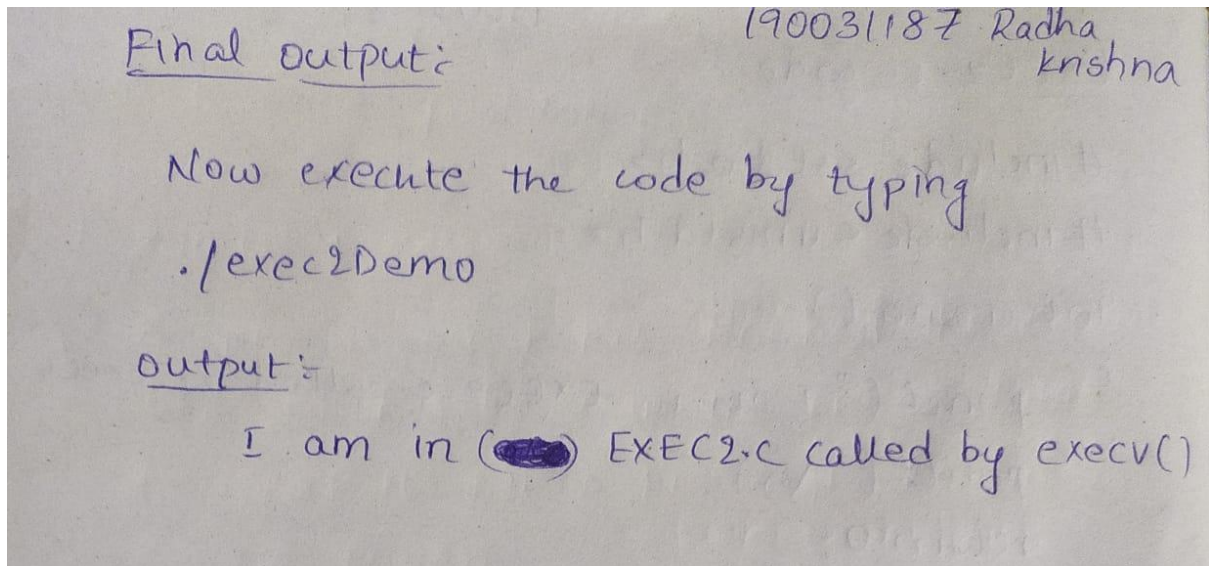
execDemo2.c code

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>

int main()
{
    char *args[] = { "./EXEC2", NULL };
    execv(args[0], args);
    printf("ending...");
    return 0;
}
```

Create an executable file of execDemo2.c  
using command

execDemo2.c -o execDemo2



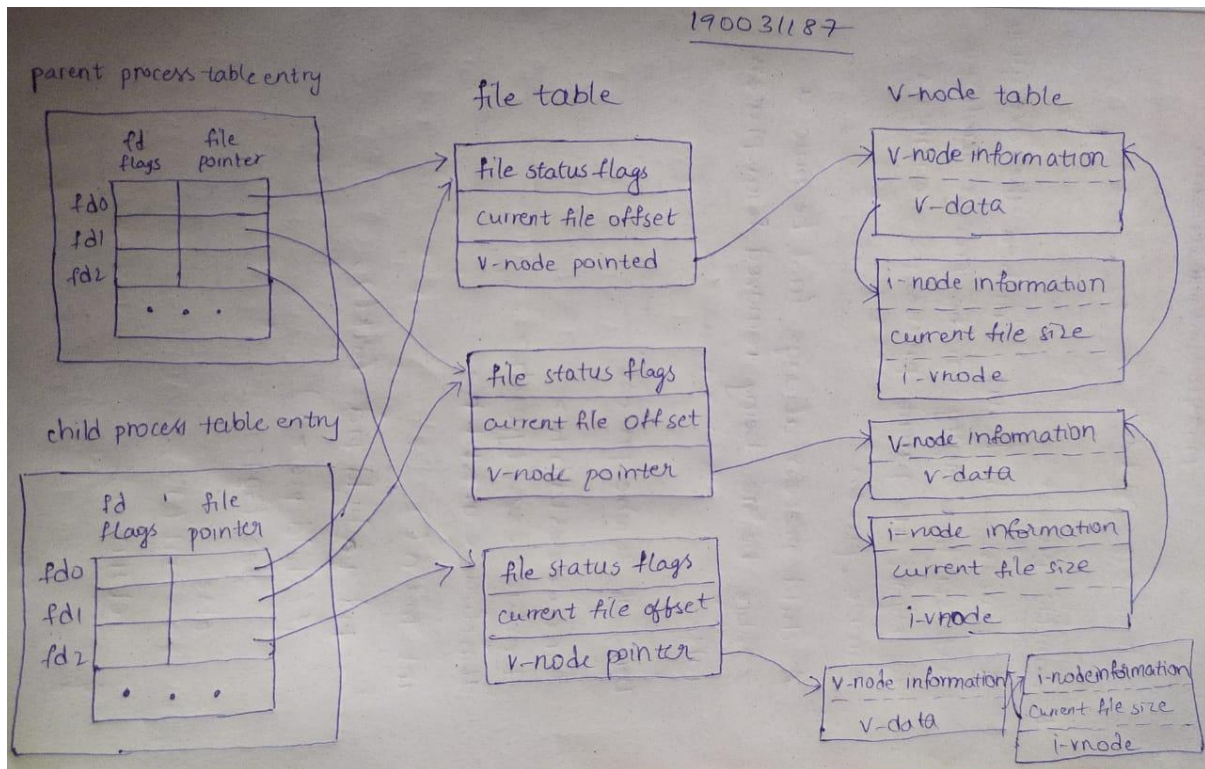
### execl() OUTPUT

```
osd-190031187@team-osd:~  
login as: osd-190031187  
osd-190031187@103.206.105.92's password:  
Last login: Sat Aug 29 15:33:03 2020 from 117.192.183.57  
[osd-190031187@team-osd ~]$ ./execDemo  
I am in EXEC.C called by execl  
[osd-190031187@team-osd ~]$
```

### execv() OUTPUT

```
osd-190031187@team-osd:~  
[osd-190031187@team-osd ~]$ ./exec2Demo  
I am in EXEC2.C called by execv()  
[osd-190031187@team-osd ~]$
```

- Show a pictorial arrangement - Sharing of open files between parent and child after fork





## Post-Lab 3:

- orphan.c, zombie.c: create orphan and processes

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post lab1. Zombie process :-

A process which has finished the execution but still has entry in the process table to report its parent process is known as zombie process.

A child process always first become a zombie before being removed from process table.

Demo of Zombie process

```
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <unistd.h>

int main()
{
    pid_t child_pid = fork();
    if (child_pid > 0)
        sleep(50);
    else
        exit(0);
    return 0;
}
```



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Here the child finishes its execution using ~~exit()~~ `exit()` system call while the parent sleeps for 50 seconds, hence does not call `wait()` & the child process entry still exists in the process table.

### orphan process

A process whose parent no more exists i.e. either finished or terminated without waiting for its child process to terminate is called orphan process.

### Demo of Orphan process

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <unistd.h>

int main()
{
    int pid = fork();
    if (pid > 0)
        printf("In parent process");
    else if (pid == 0) {
        sleep(30);
        printf("In child process");
    }
    return 0;
}
```

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Here the parent process finishes execution & exits while the child process is still executing. This is known as orphan process. However the orphan process is soon adopted by init process, once its parent dies.

### DEMO OF ORPHAN PROCESS OUTPUT

```
osd-190031187@team-osd:~  
[osd-190031187@team-osd ~]$ nano DemoOrphan.c  
[osd-190031187@team-osd ~]$ gcc DemoOrphan.c -o DemoOrphan  
[osd-190031187@team-osd ~]$ nano DemoOrphan.c  
[osd-190031187@team-osd ~]$ gcc DemoOrphan.c -o DemoOrphan  
[osd-190031187@team-osd ~]$ ./DemoOrphan  
In parent process  
[osd-190031187@team-osd ~]$ █
```

- Program that creates a new Process to Copy File



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```
#include "types.h"
#include "fcntl.h"
#include "stat.h"
#include "user.h"

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int pid = fork();
    if (pid > 0)
    {
        pid = wait();
    }
    else if (pid == 0)
    {
        int sourceFD, TargetFD, RdFlag, WrFlag;
        char Data[100];
        sourceFD = open(argv[1], O_RDONLY);
        if (sourceFD < 0)
        {
            printf(1, "Error opening source file");
            exit();
        }
        RdFlag = read(sourceFD, Data, sizeof(Data));
        if (RdFlag < 0)
        {
            printf(1, "Error reading source file");
            exit();
        }
        TargetFD = open(argv[2], O_CREATE | O_WRONLY);
        if (TargetFD < 0)
        {
            printf(1, "Error opening target file");
            exit();
        }
    }
}
```

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```
wrFlag = write (TargetFD, Data, sizeof(Data));  
if (wrFlag < 0)  
{  
    printf(1, "error writing target file");  
    exit(1);  
}  
close (TargetFD);  
close (SourceFD);  
}  
return 0;  
}
```

```
osd-190031187@team-osd:~/xv6  
SeaBIOS (version 1.11.0-2.el7)  
  
iPXE (http://ipxe.org) 00:03.0 C980 PCI2.10 PnP PMM+1FF94780+1FED4780 C980  
  
Booting from Hard Disk..xv6...  
cpu1: starting 1  
cpu0: starting 0  
sb: size 1000 nblocks 941 ninodes 200 nlog 30 logstart 2 inodestart 32 bmap start 58  
init: starting sh  
190031187$ cat>F1.txt  
my name is radhakrishna  
190031187$ postlab3 F1.txt F2.txt  
pid 5 postlab3: trap 14 err 5 on cpu 1 eip 0xffffffff addr 0xffffffff--kill proc  
pid 4 postlab3: trap 14 err 5 on cpu 1 eip 0xffffffff addr 0xffffffff--kill proc  
190031187$ cat F2.txt  
my name is radhakrishna  
190031187$
```